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Disposit	ion of Claims							
4)🖂	Claim(s) 1-17 is/are pending in the application	n.						
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5)🖾	Claim(s) 14-17 is/are allowed.							
6)⊠	Claim(s) 1-3,8 and 9 is/are rejected.							
7)🛛	7)⊠ Claim(s) <u>4-7 and 10-13</u> is/are objected to.							
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9)[]	The specification is objected to by the Examir	ner.						
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Priority (	under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120							
12)  Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).  a)  All b)  Some * c)  None of:  1.								
14) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121 since a specific reference was included in the first sentence of the specification or in an Application Data Sheet. 37 CFR 1.78.								
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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

(e) the invention was described in -

(1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effect under this subsection of a national application published under section 122(b) only if the international application designating the United States was published under Article 21(2)(a) of such treaty in the English language; or

(2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that a patent shall not be deemed filed in the United States for the purposes of this subsection based on the filing of an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a);

Claims 1, 2, 3, and 8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Petersen et al. ("Petersen").

Per claim 1, Petersen discloses an electrical connector for engaging with an electronic card, comprising an elongate dielectric housing defining a slot along a longitudinal direction thereof; a plurality of first contacts 12 retained in the housing, the first contact comprising a contact portion extending into the slot for engaging with the electronic card; and a second contact 13 retained in the housing, the second contact comprising a first engaging portion 86 extending into the slot for engaging with the electronic card and a second engaging portion (at 84) adapted for (i.e. capable of) electrically connecting to a complementary component (such as a probe inserted into channel 54, see figure 6).

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Per claim 2, the dielectric housing comprises a base and a tower 26 at one end of the base, and the slot extends into the tower to form a channel in a top face of the tower.

Per claim 3, the tower defines a receiving cavity 54 therein, and the second contact is retained in the tower with the second engaging portion received in the receiving cavity.

Per claim 8, the second contact 13 is a power contact (col. 6, lines 15-20).

Claims 9 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Cheng.

Per claim 9, Cheng discloses an electrical connector for engaging with an electronic card, comprising an elongate dielectric housing 14 defining a first slot along a longitudinal direction thereof; a plurality of first contacts 20 retained in the housing and each comprising a contact portion extending into the first slot for engaging with the electronic card; and a contact module 10 secured to the dielectric housing, the contact module comprising a dielectric body and a second contact retained in the dielectric body, the dielectric body defining a second slot having a width substantially the same as that of the first slot, the second contact comprising a first engaging portion extending into the second slot for engaging with the electronic card and a second engaging portion for electrically connecting to a complementary component.

### Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 4-7 and 10-13 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

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The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter:

Regarding claim 4, the prior art does not suggest the device as claimed, including the combination of all the claimed elements, the combination including that the tower comprises first and second supporting portions separated by the channel, and the first supporting portion has a larger width than that of the second supporting portion, the receiving cavity being defined in the first supporting portion. Regarding claim 5, the prior art does not suggest the device as claimed, including the combination of all the claimed elements, the combination including that the second contact is generally of a planar shape and comprises a retention portion connecting the first engaging portion with the second engaging portion. Regarding claim 7, the prior art does not suggest the as device claimed, including the combination of all the claimed elements, the combination including that the first engaging portion comprises a pair of upwardly extending mating arms, and the second engaging portion extends in a same direction as the mating arms and offsets from the mating arms in the longitudinal direction of the housing. Regarding claim 10, the prior art does not suggest the device as claimed, including the combination of all the claimed elements, the combination including that the dielectric housing comprises a tower at one end thereof, and the tower defines a channel for retaining the electronic card.

Claims 14-17 are allowable. Regarding claim 14, the prior art does not suggest the device as claimed, including the combination of all the claimed elements, the combination including a first longer central slot section and a second shorter central slot

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section spaced from said first longer central slot section as claimed and including the first contacts including contacting portions located on two sides of the first central slot for mechanical and electrical engagement with a first region of the daughter board and the soldering section as claimed and the a plurality of second contacts including contacting portions located on two sides of the second central slot for mechanical and electrical engagement with a second region of the daughter board as claimed and the tail portion which is configured not to be engaged with the printed circuit board but electrical connected to another discrete electronic component as claimed.

#### Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ross Gushi whose telephone number is (703) 306-4508. If attempts to reach the examiner by phone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Paula A. Bradley, can be reached at (703) 308-2319. The phone number for the Group's facsimile is (703) 872-9306.

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